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SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT: COLOMBO WATER SUPPLY

REF: COLOMBO 0682 (NOTAL)

1. RICHARD HOWARD, VICE PRESIDENT OF METCALF AND EDDY, TELEXED THE EMBASSY REQUESTING AN UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF CONSULTANT SELECTION FOR THE IBRD/IDA FINANCED WATER SUPPLY PROJECT FOR COLOMBO AND FIVE ADJACENT TOWNS. THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT PASSING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO MR. HOWARD AND EMBASSY MANILA PASSING IT TO METCALF AND EDDY IN MANILA.

2. CHIEF ENGINEER RAJENDRAN, WITH WHOM EMBOFF PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED THE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT (REFTEL), IS OUT OF THE COUNTRY AND WILL NOT RETURN FOR SEVERAL WEEKS. IN HIS ABSENCE, EMBOFF SPOKE WITH K. SUNTHARALINGAM IN THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT OF THE NATIONAL WATER SUPPLY AND DRAINAGE BOARD. SUNTHARALINGAM SAID A SHORTLIST OF CONSULTANTS WAS PREPARED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE WORLD BANK BUT DECLINED TO SAY WHAT FIRMS WERE ON THE LIST. HE DID SAY, HOWEVER, THAT THE SELECTION WAS NOT LIMITED TO CANADIAN FIRMS AND THAT AT LEAST ONE AMERICAN FIRM WAS INCLUDED. HE SUGGESTED THAT METCALF AND EDDY CONTACT THE IBRD/IDA FOR MORE INFORMATION.

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3. AS SUNTHARALINGAM DOES NOT FEEL AT LIBERTY TO PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION UNTIL RAJENDRAN RETURNS, THE EMBASSY CONCURS WITH HIS SUGGESTION THAT METCALF AND EDDY DIRECT THEIR INQUIRY TO THE IBRD/IDA.
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